



Helen Arnold

August 13, 1925 - July 4, 2011

Helen S. Arnold

Helen S. Arnold, 85 died July 4th 2011 with her family at her side at Saint Mary's Hospital in Rhinelander Wisconsin.

A memorial service will be held Wednesday July 13 2011 at the Bolger Funeral Home Woodruff Chapel visitation starting at 11:00am memorial service at 12:00 luncheon after. This will not be a formal affair so please no suits and ties.

She was born August 13th 1925 in Evanston Illinois to Andrew and Julia Skibinski.

She graduated from Evanston Township High School where she was a drummer in the marching band that performed in 1939 4th of July parade in New York City. After high school she worked for Northwestern Railroad and in her family's grocery store in Evanston. While living in Evanston she also worked at Muntz TV and Washington National Insurance Company.

Helen married her husband Wiburt Arnold June 22nd 1946 at the Ascension of our Lord Church in Evanston Illinois and they lived in Evanston.

With her husband Wilburt in 1954 they purchased from Maurice and Vivian Jones, Crystal Shores Resort and Chipmunk Retreat bar on Blue Lake in Minocqua Wisconsin. At first they stayed only the summers to work the resort and bar and moved there year round in 1964 and lived there until they sold the resort in 1972.

After selling the resort they moved to Arbor Vitae Wisconsin and Helen began

working at Lakeland Memorial Hospital and then Howard Young Medical Center for 17 years as a housekeeping supervisor. At the grand opening of Howard Young Medical Centre she got to meet Elizabeth Taylor. Working at the hospital she made many friends who remained close and in her heart to this day.

Wiburt passed away from cancer in 1989 and Helen retired from HYMC in August of 1990. Retirement didn't slow down Helen she traveled with friends and family exploring Toronto, Florida, Ohio, Branson, Texas, Arizona, California, Oregon and any place that looked fun locally. She also loved going to her grandchildren's school and sporting events anything from little league, Pop Warner and LUHS football, Volleyball, Christmas concerts and poetry readings. She only missed one home game in four years of Lakeland Girls hockey always wearing her well-worn "Bring It On" Lakeland Hockey hat and hockey grandma sweatshirt.

Helen had her three sons, Kenneth (Carolyn), David (Cathy) and James. And then there were the loves of her life her grandchildren, Drew Arnold, Emma Arnold, Travis Arnold, Addy Arnold, Cody Arnold and Jennifer Higginson and one great grandson.

After suffering a stroke in February she hoped to come back home after spending some time at Taylor Park Rehabilitation Centre in Rhinelander Wisconsin. We would like to thank the nurses, aids, staff and therapists who helped make Helen's last days pleasant. The whole family appreciates all the work and love you showed our mother.

When anybody would tell Helen to have a nice day she would reply "I'm going to make it that way no matter what." And she always did.

Donations may be made to Lakeland girls' hockey – win one for Helen.

Tribute Wall

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“ I will always remember the good times as a child I had at the Chipmunk Retreat. Helping Helen make the beds on Sat mornings and watching Jim. Helen, you will be missed you were always so nice to me. You were especially caring and a great friend to my grandparents - The Buttons. When I visit Blue Lake I always and will continue to think of you and your family. Anita

Anita Everhard Kydd - March 22, 2013 at 11:53 AM

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“ Helen was a special gal. I worked with her most of the years at Howard Young. She always had a smile on her face and could get people to laugh. I even saw her one summer at a garage sale and she still had that same smile and humor. She will be missed. You're in our prayers.

Barb Maines - March 22, 2013 at 11:53 AM